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New Board members

New Board of Governors members (from left to right) are David Abraham, representing the faculty, Local 242; Chairman William Ford; Carri Emerick, representing the Student Administrative Council; and Lawrence Wells, representing support staff, Local 243. Absent was Ivar Noren, representing the administrative staff association. The Feb. 26 meeting made history because it was the first time in 20 years that internal members of the college were represented on Niagara's Board of Governors.

Photo by Pat Barevich

Rapelje resigns, cites conflicts with Kathleen

By BOBBIE STOREY
Staff Writer

David Rapelje, Student Administrative Council vice-president of external affairs, resigned Feb. 25 because of a "personal conflict" between himself and Kathleen Harvey, SAC president.

"Dave was given a verbal warning that he had to carry his share of the workload but, regretfully, nothing changed," Kathleen said.

Dave said, "I fulfilled all my duties according to the constitution. The executive body did not specifically deem me any others."

"I felt there was personal conflict between myself and the president due to political actions the president had planned on behalf of the students which I did not support," he said. "Certain members of the council were trying to change the system instead of working with what they had."

DAVID RAPELJE

Dave was responsible for charity fund-raising. The two most successful projects he organized were Shinerama amd the blood donor clinic.

ARGUED A LOT

Dave admitted that he argued a lot but said he always had facts to back his arguments.

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Funding for Niagara could drop further

By PAT BAREVICH
Staff Writer

Niagara's funding increase could go from 2.2 per cent to 1.8 per cent if the college must contribute to keep four other colleges at zero funding rather than in a "minus increase" situation, Jacqueline Robarts, Niagara College president, said. A decision is expected by April 1.

If Niagara must also contribute to the $5 million needed to keep five Northern colleges at comparable levels, Niagara's funding could be even less than 1.8 per cent.

Because Niagara's funding increase is less than the average 4.3 per cent increase there "could be" staff cuts and eventually a reduction in programs, Miss Robarts said. Staff salaries account for 85 per cent of funding and only 15 per cent is discretionary so there is little room to manoeuvre.

Two recommendations were made to the provincial government, after a "funding mechanism review," Miss Robarts said.

One suggested that 18 colleges, including Niagara, contribute the $1.6 million needed to keep the other four colleges from a minus increase in their funding.

The second recommendation is that the $5 million needed by the five Northern colleges come from the province's Northern Development Fund.

The ideal solution would be for the government to provide all the funding necessary, while the worst projection would mean that all colleges would get far less funding, Miss Robarts said. "I suspect something in between will happen — I hope."

Lack of snow kills carnival

The winter carnival — Roughin' it, Winterfest '87 — which was supposed to take place the week of Feb. 23 was cancelled due to "lack of co-operation from mother nature."

Carri Emerick, vice-president of internal affairs, said that some time after the March break SAC "will look at the feasibility of a Springfest week."

The Springfest week would feature events like kite flying, maybe a cheap sunglasses day, a shorts day and movies on spring would be shown in the Hamilton Room, Carri said.

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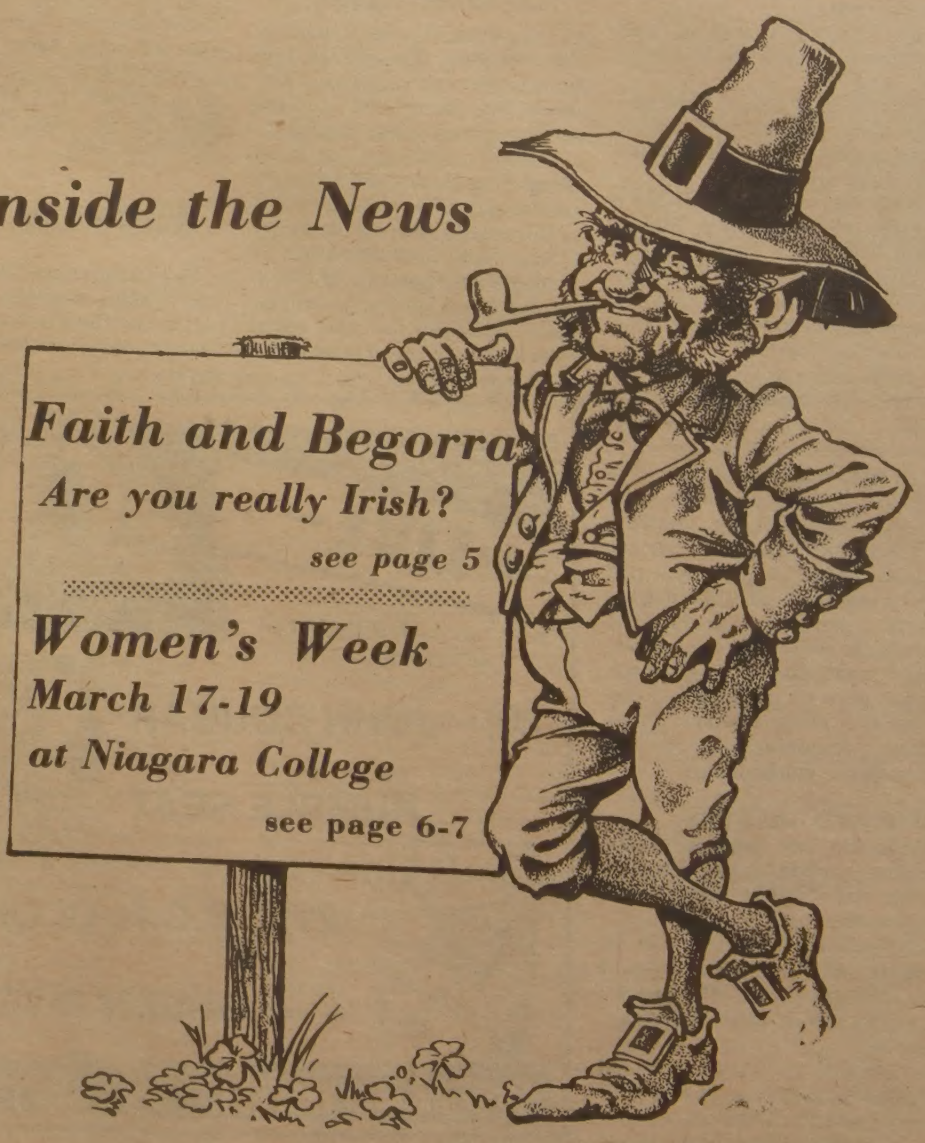

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Bruno retires

Retiring custodian Bruno Degazio receives well-wishes from Carri Emerick, Student Administrative Council representative, (left) and Fred Bridgeman, Educational Resources and Special Needs instructor, at his surprise retirement party Feb. 27.

Photo by Pat Barevich

Chilling psychodrama recounts legend of brutal axe murders

By SUSAN WRAY
Staff Writer

The place was Fall River, Massachusetts, in the year 1892, and the crime was murder.

Based on the true story of one of North America's most famous unsolved crimes, the legend of Lizzie Borden ran at the Niagara College Theatre Centre from Feb. 24 to the 27.

This Governor General's Award winning play — Sharon Pollock's Blood Relations — shows Lizzie Borden's plight and draws from its audience sympathy and compassion for a woman caught in the oppressive era of Victorian times.

Still taunted

Directed by D'Arcy McHayle, the play took a step back in time to recount the events and emotions in the life of a 33-year-old spinster who was charged with the axe murders of her father and stepmother, only to be acquitted 10 months later.

Ten years after the brutal murders, Lizzie is still taunted and questioned about her innocence and offers an actress, whose curiosity is undaunted, a chance to relive Lizzie's life and draw her own conclusion.

Changing roles

The real Lizzie Borden, portrayed by Wendy Perrott, takes up the role as the housemaid, Bridget, and intervenes occasionally, but for the most part is a bystander to the events that took place in her life 10 years earlier.

The actress, Sandy Corazza, is then cast in the role of Lizzie and leads the audience through the events that lead up to the tragic deaths.

In this moving production, Lizzie searches to establish her own self worth, fights the conformities society demands from her as a woman and struggles to hold on to what she feels is rightfully hers.

Victorian set

The Victorian set, designed by Rod Hillier, captures the time period and the shadowed ceiling constructed overhead helps to create a comfortable atmosphere.

Cast as both the doctor and the defence counsel for Lizzie, Joel Rinzler masters his role well.

Lizzie's older sister, Emma (K.C. Scharf), rigidly conforms to society's rules and to her father's wishes.

Brad Massingham is successful in capturing the spirit of Mrs. Borden's brother, projecting a no-nonsense business manner.

Humor is sparse in this chilling psychodrama, but comments made my Lizzie against her stepmother (Margaret Ferencz) sparks a little laughter as the audience leans towards understanding conflicts.

An emotion-packed production, Blood Relations was successful in relaying the crime society committed in the life of Lizzie Borden.

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THE NEED NEVER CHANGES
St. John Ambulance

From Page One

Rapelje

KATHLEEN HARVEY

"I represented a certain number of the students," Dave said. "But by resigning, less time will be spent arguing, leaving more time for the students. I was a thorn in the side of progression."

Kathleen said,"We feel bad that Dave had to resign but there was often a conflict with the direction the council was taking."

Kathleen said both she and Dave agreed that his resignation would relieve both personal and office tensions but it was a shame it had to happen so late in the year.

No by-election will be held because elections will be March 31.

Dave said he has no hard feelings about leaving SAC "other than the fact that I was harassed out of my position."

Kathleen said, "Dave is not a quitter. He would have stayed until the end if he didn't feel pressure to change. He really believed in student government, but you have to work as a team or it's not effective."

Dave did not agree with the way SAC money was being spent. "Money spent on conferences and areas pertaining to individuals or council members should have been spent on things that benefit students such as excursions to sporting events or better on-campus pub entertainment. It should have been spent on things that students could gain more from. How many students really know what goes on at Ontario Community College Student President Association or all-presidents conferences?"

OPPOSED CHANGES

Dave did not agree with the changes made to the constitu-ion or SAC's fight for autonomy.

"They should not have to worry about administration if ... acted respectfully instead ... to ... nge everything,"

...elt ... was a personal ... between ... e president (of ...) and the administration."

... said SAC was a good group of people but they had too many different ideas. They all had "different attitudes and ideas which made the council into diverse groups of individual cliques."

Dave said he enjoyed everything he did and he worked just as hard as the others. "It is the quality, not the quantity of the work. I would rather do quality work than a lot of unsuccessful things like the on-campus pubs, although the new social convener has made a great effort to change things."

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Joan Hastings (left), president of local 242, representing faculty, and Meg Rose of local 243 representing support staff, discuss union concerns with OPSEU president James Clancy. Mr. Clancy spent two days meeting with various groups from the college to hear their concerns and comments.

Photo by Maureen Martin

OPSEU president hears concerns

Listening to the views and concerns of union members has left OPSEU president James Clancy "displeased."

Meetings with members and executive of locals 242 and 243 of the Ontario Public Service Employees' Union (OPSEU) highlighted Mr. Clancy's two-day visit to the college last week.

A wide range of topics was discussed, including job classification, threatened layoffs, the future of some programs and the direction of the college.

"I am displeased with what I hear about the implementation of the re-classification system (of jobs)," he said on Wednesday, the first day of his visit. There are also "too many questions unanswered about layoffs."

Although he likes to spend as much time as possible with the leaders of various locals, months were spent arranging for this visit.

Mr. Clancy said he wants to "work with management to develop sounder labor relations" — labor relations "based on respect" for the role of unions and the local leaders.

The union represents more than 90,000 workers in Ontario who work directly with the government or in transfer payment agencies, such as group homes, support staff in various boards of education and both faculty and support staff in community colleges.

Nominate SAC reps

Nominations for next year's Student Administrative Council are being held until March 20 with elections being on March 31.

The positions up for election are president, vice-president, vice-president of external affairs, vice-president of internal affairs, vice-president of athletics, vice-president of finance, and social convener.

To qualify, students must have a 60 per cent average, must be enrolled in a full-time program and must have nomination papers signed by 25 other students.

Election packages are available at the SAC office.

Calendar 'quirk' means early start

A "quirk" in the calendar will return staff and students to school before Labor Day next year.

John Parrett, registrar, said, since Labor Day is Sept. 7, orientation will be on Sept. 1 and Sept. 2 will be the first day of actual teaching. "It's all due to a quirk in when Labor Day falls."

The decision, made by the President's Executive Council, will only affect this year, he said. The starting date will return to after Labor Day in September 1988.

Niagara College should have two 16-week terms during the school year and "the only way to do that is to back it up one week." However, even starting Sept. 1 there will be only 15½ weeks.

"I gather other colleges have the same time concerns," he said. Colleges have been in touch with each other to find out what is being planned for next year.

"This decision may cause some difficulties for some students. I'm aware of that," Mr. Parrett said. "Fortunately this only happens once every seven years or so."

SAC budget surplus, money tight, but OK

The Student Administrative Council is not in as bad a position with its budget as it thought it was.

The council has a surplus of $9, 774.54. Last year's student council left a surplus of $20,000. "We realize we have to be tight with our money, but it is not as gloomy as we thought," Kathleen Harvey, SAC president, said.

The council must leave next year's with the surplus from its budget for bills which might come in late.

The pub budget is almost spent which means the council must make money from another area for pubs or not have any more on campus.

"The council is still discussing what we will do," Kathleen said. "There will still be a graduation dance and a year-end bash."

At the last on-campus pub, Feb. 26, which featured Teenage Head, attendance was poor.

"This shows that students are not interested in on-campus pubs," Kathleen said. "However, it contradicts the pub surveys we sent out which said people want on-campus pubs.

"We will recommend to the next year's council that there only be two on-campus pubs--one at the beginning and one near the end--and they should have big name bands."

OSAP $$$ increase

Starting April 1, $25.2 million will be injected into the Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP) by the Ontario government.

A province-wide conference call was set-up Feb. 26, that brought together Minister of Colleges and Universities Gregory Sorbara and the 22 Ontario community colleges. The immediate effect of the injection and the state of the financial aid system were discussed.

Mr. Sorbara said that "while we (the government) have improved OSAP funding by $25 million, we are still looking for ways to improve the funding."

Matt Certosimo, head of the Ontario Federation of Students, said that more must still be done to make higher education accessible to those from low-income families.

Most of the funding--all but $1 million--is aimed at increasing grants. The impact on low-income families is expected to be considerable as the expected contribution is to be reduced.

March 28

Hotel students plan international dinner

The Rainbow Hotel Club will hold its 20th annual International Dinner March 28 at the Royal Canadian Legion on ValleyWay Road in Niagara Falls.

The five-course meal will bring the delicacies of Canada, France, Italy and Spain to the 200 diners, Manjula Acharya, co-ordinator of the dinner, said.

The dinner is being run completely by students, with no supervision from the staff or faculty of the Rainbow Hotel School, Mark Madsen, assistant co-ordinator, said.

The meal will be introduced with gazpacho, a cold Spanish tomato soup. Italian salad with iceburg lettuce will clear the palate for the main course of chicken and shrimp vol-au-vent with glazed carrots and broccoli with butter. Dessert will tempt the entire crowd--white mousse with raspberry sauce, crowned with chocolate shavings.

Following the dinner will be a midnight buffet.

Cocktails will begin at 6 p.m. and dinner will be at "seven sharp," Manjula said. Tickets cost $20 per person and can be purchased by calling the Hotel Club at 354-9492.

The club's Winter Wonderland Dinner, held in January, was a great success, Manjula said. After all the bills were paid, the books showed a profit of $600. Only two other dinners have made money, Mark said.

The students hired the same band and rented the same hall for the evening because everything "turned out so well," Manjula said.

New nanny program possible

Niagara College hopes to start a family care assistance program, formerly called a nanny program, in September.

It will be the second program of its kind in Ontario. At present Sheridan College has the only one.

The program is designed to train people in the Niagara region to work with children and to provide care, and constructive activity for them. The program will be closely tied to the Early Childhood Education program.

"There has been a fair number of requests for nannies in the past," Robert Baddley, chairman of allied health and preschool education, said. But these were found abroad.

The first meeting of the program's ad hoc advisory committee on March 6, indicated a good degree of support from agencies in the community, Mr. Baddeley said; however, it will require approval from the Board of Governors, and the Ministry of Colleges and Universities.

"We have had conversations with the Ministry and it seems optimistic," Mr. Baddeley said.

Mr. Baddeley has been busy getting together the program proposals and meeting with people from Sheridan.

"We are indebted to Sheridan for allowing us to use their resources," Mr. Baddeley said.

Sheridan has given Niagara access to course outlines, program descriptions and other written material on the family care assistance program. Expert advice on how to run the program, on teaching approaches, and how to handle field placements has also been given.

"We hope to have this before the President's Executive Council during April," Mr. Baddeley said.

The Canada Employment Centre (CEC) will buy 20 seats in the program. There will also be some fee payers.

Journalism grad new publisher

Garnet Cowsill, Niagara College journalism graduate, has been appointed publisher and general manager of The Reporter in Cambridge, Ont.

Mr. Cowsill, 36, who graduated from Niagara in 1971, is publisher of the Halton Hills Herald, a twice-weekly paper in Georgetown, Ont.

He joined The Herald in 1985 after working at several daily and weekly newspapers. He was reporter and then city editor of the Welland Tribune and was managing editor of the St. Thomas Journal for nine years.

Mr. Cowsill's new appointment is effective April 1.

Editorials

Seatbelts save lives

It really is a surprise that the worthiness of seatbelts could ever be questioned.

How people can ever begin to think that their chances of surviving a crash are increased by not wearing their seatbelts has always been one of life's great mystery.

Obviously, in the minds of these people, flying through the windshield or a side window and bouncing off the road, a telephone pole or a wire fence is preferable to being held securely in place in the car. Of course, there are always going to be stories on the television and in the paper about people pinned in their cars, making it look like the seatbelt trapped them in the car.

Yet, if the impact of the collision is so bad as to bend thousands of pounds of metal out of shape and pin its passengers, then how are a person's chances increased by being thrown through the air to an uncertain landing. People run the risk of landing on their head or some other vulnerable part of their bodies.

What do they expect? A three-foot padded cushion lying at the other end of their flight?

On a recent television program, an incident was highlighted in which a girl was almost torn apart by her seatbelt with the force of the impact. This sort of reporting can only be labelled as irresponsible because all it serves to do is to scare viewers into believing that seatbelts are more of a hindrance to safety than a help. Nothing could be farther from the truth.

Now if this editorial seems biased, that is because it is. If it weren't for having my seatbelt on one December day, I would have spent Christmas Day, 1980, in the hospital, if I made it that far. Travelling headfirst through a windshield at 60 miles per hour does not top my list of thrills.

So next time you go for a drive, remember it can happen. And it can happen as easily close to home as well as on the highway and the road does not provide a landing.

Gary Bellinger

Send resumes now

Soon many college students will be graduating. Some are fortunate to be in a program that either has co-op or work placement which will give students experience and a competitive edge upon entering the work force.

But for those students who are not assisted finding a job, it means working a little harder.

Now is the time to start sending out resumes and doing some research in a student's chosen field. This means the student marketing himself and telling prospective employers how they will benefit from his work. It would be an advantage to deliver a resume in person — it may lead to an interview.

Starting early will get students one step closer to a good job. Be confident, positive and aggressive but not pushy. In just a few short weeks college students willl be competing with university and high school graduates for jobs.

Finding a job and entering the workforce is a tough step for some. Full-time employment is a big change for many students because it means independence, responsibility and working towards a life long goal. It is the second phase of their future — choosing a learning institution and a career was the first step.

Their majority of students have been in school for most of their lives and school is the only life they know. But those years come to an end on graduation day and it does not pay to procrastinate. People make their own futures.

Lori Flaxy

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Catching some sun, but little else

Last week's burst of spring brought several people to Merritt Island — some walking dogs and children, others just relaxing. These three fishermen used the day to brush up on the art of netting fish. Patiently dipping the nets and pulling them out yielded few results. Some fishermen further down had the monopoly on fish.

Photo by Maureen Martin

Letters

Warm memories

Dear Editor:

Just a brief note from a former Niagara College student who still enjoys reading the Niagara News. I find the stories professionally written. On occasion, I even recognize a name I remember. It's like a little bit of home. I have strong and warm memories of Niagara College.

I was particularly interested in reading about Martin Pokol's upcoming trip to China. I'm terribly jealous. Good luck to the graduating journalism students. You should be proud of the Niagara News during the past year.

Gary Erb,
Cambridge Daily Reporter,
Cambridge, Ontario.

Congratulations, Donna

Dear Editor:

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Donna Morrison on the excellent coverage she has given to French Language Services. Donna is a very ambitious, perseverant reporter who is always determined to do the best she can.

We would like to thank Donna for always trying to understand the situation and for seeking out that extra bit of information. She has always been there to cover whatever story we had, but most of all, she cared and was interested in what she was reporting.

We feel that the French Language Services are a vital part of this College and wish to make people more aware of our existence. We have been very well served by the Niagara News and we thank you!

Claire Moccio
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Men's Week?

Dear Editor:

I am delighted to learn of Niagara College's plans for Women's Week (March 17, 18, and 19). By focusing on the accomplishments of women and highlighting the opportunities available, Niagara can assist women in accomplishing still more, and provide still greater opportunities in the future. Niagara can be proud of its record and its efforts in bringing true equality to the educational environment; for this reason, I look forward to the announcement of the dates for Men's Week.

Sincerely,

Brian Green

Good work, Pat

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the band members I would like to take this opportunity to thank Pat Barevich for the wonderful write up in the Niagara News.

The article was well received by all band members and we look forward to more coverage in the future, if you would be willing.

The opening paragraph was a real attention grabber to someone not too familiar with steel pan. We will be using your article for promotion at our dance by distributing the paper on tables for people to read.

Again thank you for devoting your time to Sunburst Steel Band.

Sincerely,

Wendy Weadick
Band Manager

Thank you

Dear Editor:

I wish to thank all the staff, students and teachers for the wonderful party that was put on when I retired at the end of February. My wife and I appreciate the gifts and your best wishes. I will not forget you and will come back from time to time to say "Hello".

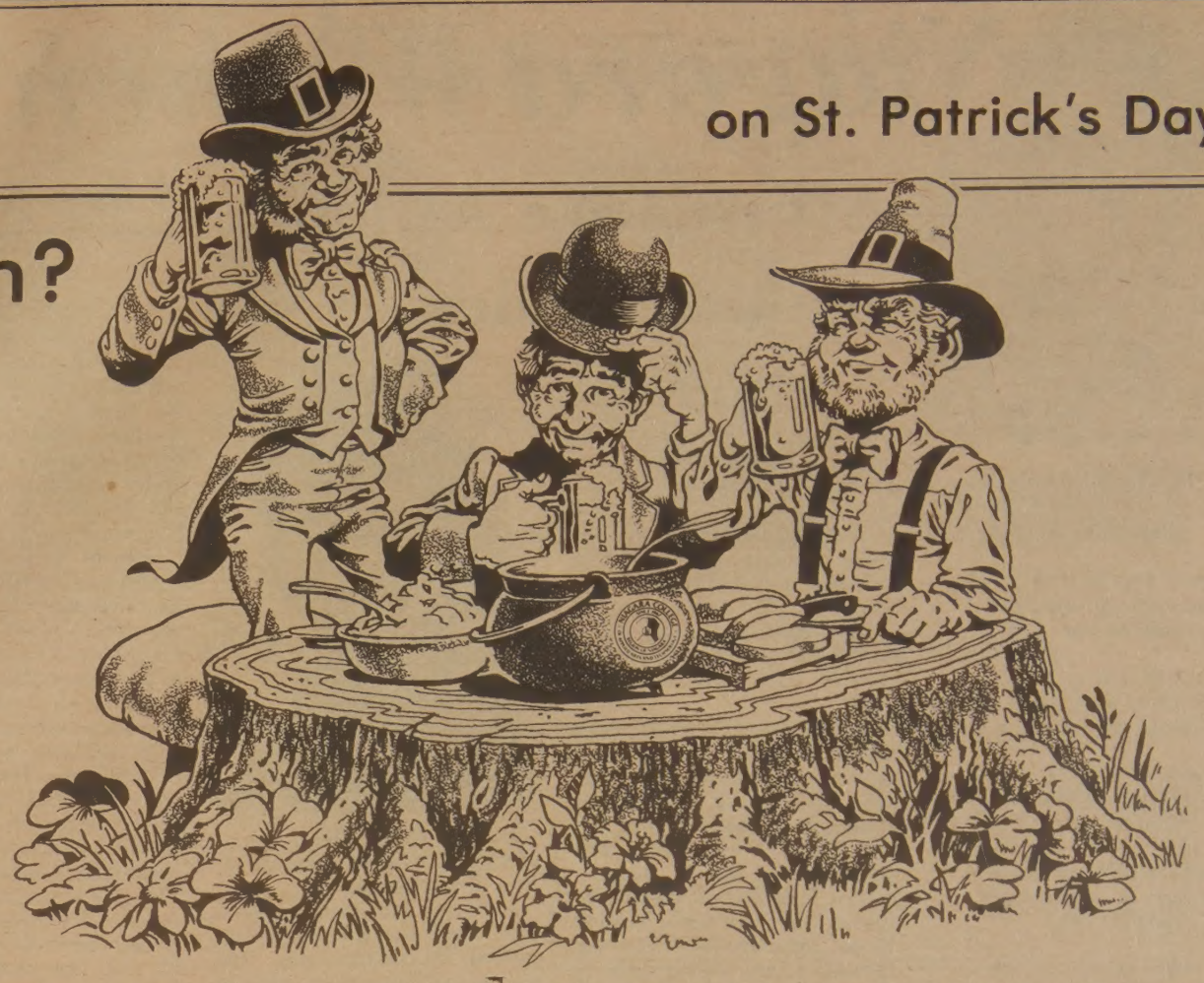
Thank you all again.

Bruno Degazio
Former custodian
Simcoe Building

LET'S SEE YOU DO IT... OUTDOORS!

PARTICIPACTION

Focus on St. Patrick's Day



Are you Irish?

By BLAIR CARR
Staff Writer

Guzzling back a couple of cold ones, Jimmy the Greek said he could drink all night because it's St. Patrick's day and he's Irish, so he owes himself a night like this.

"Aw, Jim, how can you be Irish with a name like Stereopolis?" bartender Willie Mahoney said.

"Me mom's Irish," Jimmy replied in his best Irish accent, sounding more like Australian Paul Hogan.

"Next thing you'll be calling yourself a saint," Willie said.

"I am a saint" Jimmy replied and burst into his best rendition of "Oh Lord, It's hard to be Humble when you're Perfect in Every Way."

Everywhere on March 17, in bars across Canada like the Irish Club or Clancy's, there are sad cases like this one, where a bloke says he's Irish just to fit in on this special day.

How can you tell the real from the fake, the full-blooded from the half-breeds. the Dutch from the Fresians?

Other than exorcisms, there just is no foolproof way.

However, here are some pretty good questions to determine whether your ancestory is Irish or not.

Did you cry when Irishman Donald Regan was fired by fellow Irishman Ronald Reagan? How could he do that to one of the brothers? And their names are so similar, too. Will Tip O'Neil be in trouble next? Do you like the name Tip?

When is the next Irish summit? Does anybody know when the last one was?

Do you feel deep in your heart that Sean O'Sullivan will actually win a title bout? Does your grandfather shout "Punch him in the knees," every time "Seanny" squares off against a black boxer?

Do you spike your Shamrock Shakes at McDonalds. Do you color your hair green? Can you finish one of these shakes without your face matching your hair? Is it really worth it to be Irish?

Do you have relations named Colleen, Maureen, Kathleen, Martin Sheen, Willie or Paddy? Do you get along with them all right? If not you are probably Irish.

Is looking for four-leafed clovers simply an excuse to throw grass at your sister, Colleen? Do you gaze at rainbows looking for an end? Do you brake for leprechauns or are you simply too drunk to care? How much damage would a pot of gold do to a Volkswagen? What are the chances of hitting the end of a rainbow at 150 miles an hour? Aw, the luck of the Irish.

Do you actually think you have a chance at the Irish Sweepstakes? Are all the winners Irish?

At election time do you add to the list of names any of the Kennedys, Ed McMahon, Don Rickles, Martin Sheen or Don Cherry? Or are you actually happy with our present leader? What's his name? Have you, of all people, gotten sick and tired of this blarney?

Is a sun tan possible with all those nasty freckles? Does this make you angry? How angry? Really angry?

Does any association between Irish culture and drinking alcohol or police work make you angry? How angry? How about joining the priesthood instead?

Can you hold your booze and direct traffic simultaneously? Can you do this with a potato on your nose without getting hit by a car? How about while juggling three? You wouldn't hit anyone with those, would you? Shilleligh?

Is it possible not to throw up after hearing the greetings, "Top of the morning to ya" or "Faith and begora?"

Well, how did you make out? Are you Irish or just plain angry? Who cares? Assimilate and celebrate St. Patrick's day anyway.

Third World poverty

CIDA assists needy

By BLAIR CARR
Staff Writer

Today, like every day, 40,000 people will die, and 15 million die yearly from living in poverty.

If this horrendous death toll happened by a plane crash or by a firing squad, people would react. But because it happens "inconspicuously," it is sort of expected.

"It is hard to imagine it coming to this state of mind. It is intolerable," David Spring of the Canadian International Development Agency told an audience of about 10, four of whom were students, Feb. 26.

Canadians are among the one-quarter of the world's population that controls four-fifths of the world's wealth and, therefore, can do something about it through CIDA.

CIDA is a federal agency which mobilizes the right people and technology for programs to improve agriculture, energy production and training of people in Third World countries as a means of economic development on the road to self-sufficiency.

It also provides food aid to Third World countries in cooperation with their governments to ensure CIDA is not hindering a local product.

Mr. Spring, the director of programs and systems of CIDA, said Canada could have a surplus of wheat one year to send to Bangladesh and the next year a deficit — leaving these same people hungry and still lacking the know-how to improve their crops.

HELP THEMSELVES

This is why, as well as providing emergency food supplies, CIDA stresses the importance of longterm development programs to "help people help themselves," he quoted their slogan.

About 750 Canadians are involved in the development of 100 different countries overseas with an annual budget of $2.2 billion. While this seems like a lot of money, Mr. Spring said it only provides $1 per person in need. Because there are so many in need, CIDA concentrates on 35 to 40 countries.

CIDA works through a number of channels such as government-to-government and United Nations agencies. They also support the initiatives of voluntary groups and non-governmental agencies and are willing to match their efforts dollar for dollar, he said.

Examples of their projects are the construction of fishing refrigeration co-operatives to prevent spoilage of fish in Africa; energy renewal programs established in Bangladesh; a joint effort with the UN to prevent river blindness in Volta, Africa, by eliminating black flies through pesticides; a "wings of hope" program in India, providing emergency medical services.

CIDA also stimulates overseas development by sponsoring joint business ventures to mutually benefit Third World countries and Canadians. The business people must be willing to invest in foreign markets and not just sell off when conditions get rough.

NOT EASY

With an acceptance of 50 to one, getting a job with CIDA is not easy. Mr. Spring said the agency is looking for expertise in a desired field, good management skills and overseas experience.

"It's like looking for any other job except it's hard," Mr. Spring said. People under CIDA must be "willing to live and work in conditions not like Ottawa or Port Colborne, and do it well."

To get overseas experience one can get involved with voluntary programs such as World University Services of Canada or Canadian University Service Organizations. But he said one-half of the people gain experience by backpacking.

As for students, the chances of employment are even slimmer; only 20 are hired yearly. CIDA cannot help with the cost of relocation.

Co-op Education Fair

Erik Madsen and Wilma Puttee,(left) Niagara College co-operative education counsellors, and Nicole Vigeant, co-ordinator, francophone affairs, College affairs branch of the Ministry of Colleges and Universities, share fortune cookies and information at the Co-op Education Fair at Queen's Park, Toronto on Feb. 24. Ms. Vigeant was formerly at Niagara College. Representatives of more than 20 post-secondary institutions involved in co-operative education exchanged information with provincial government managers, prospective employers.

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Niagara Women's Week:

HEATHER JARVIS

You Made Me See

When I first started
I was very downhearted.
You made me see.

My world was so grim
From these dark walls within.
You made me see.

A glimmer of light and hope
Has taught me how to cope.
You made me see.

When I needed strength
You were at arms length.
You made me see.

My toil was not in vain
Knowledge will never wane.
You made me see.

A wonderful gift you gave it
To know my worth and save it.
You made me see.

Now that I know who I am
I know who I can be.
You made me see.

Dedicated to Anne Thompson
My teacher

Heather Jarvis 1986

Affirmative Action making strides

By ANNE GABLE
Staff Writer

In effect for 10 years, Affirmative Action has made strides towards equality for women at the college.

"It's not an overnight thing," Bette Ferguson, adviser to the president for Affirmative Action, said. "It takes time to remove barriers," but Affirmative Action has made strides towards equal pay for equal work.

The purpose of Affirmative Action is to make women aware of their options, she said. They are no longer stuck in stereotyped jobs; the technical and business aspects of the workforce are open to them.

Mrs. Ferguson emphasized the reason there are few women in these departments; "It's not because women are turned away from jobs (at the college), but they do not apply. We cannot hire them if there are no women applying."

Affirmative Action is trying to encourage men and women into non-traditional college programs; to do what they really want to, regardless of outside pressures to be masculine or feminine.

A subject that is becoming more ~~obsolete~~ at the college is sexual harassment. There are few cases ~~at the college~~, but

BETTE FERGUSON

every couple of years one arises, Mrs. Ferguson said.

Usually the cases are a misunderstanding; the people involved do realize they are discriminating and the case is easy to resolve.

But other cases that are deliberate require sterner measures, she said. The cases are kept confidential except for telling the co-ordinator to be especially watchful of the harasser. If that does not correct the situation, the Human Rights Commission takes the case out of the hands of the college.

Overall, the complaints that come to Affirmative Action are few. Conditions for equality at the college seem good.

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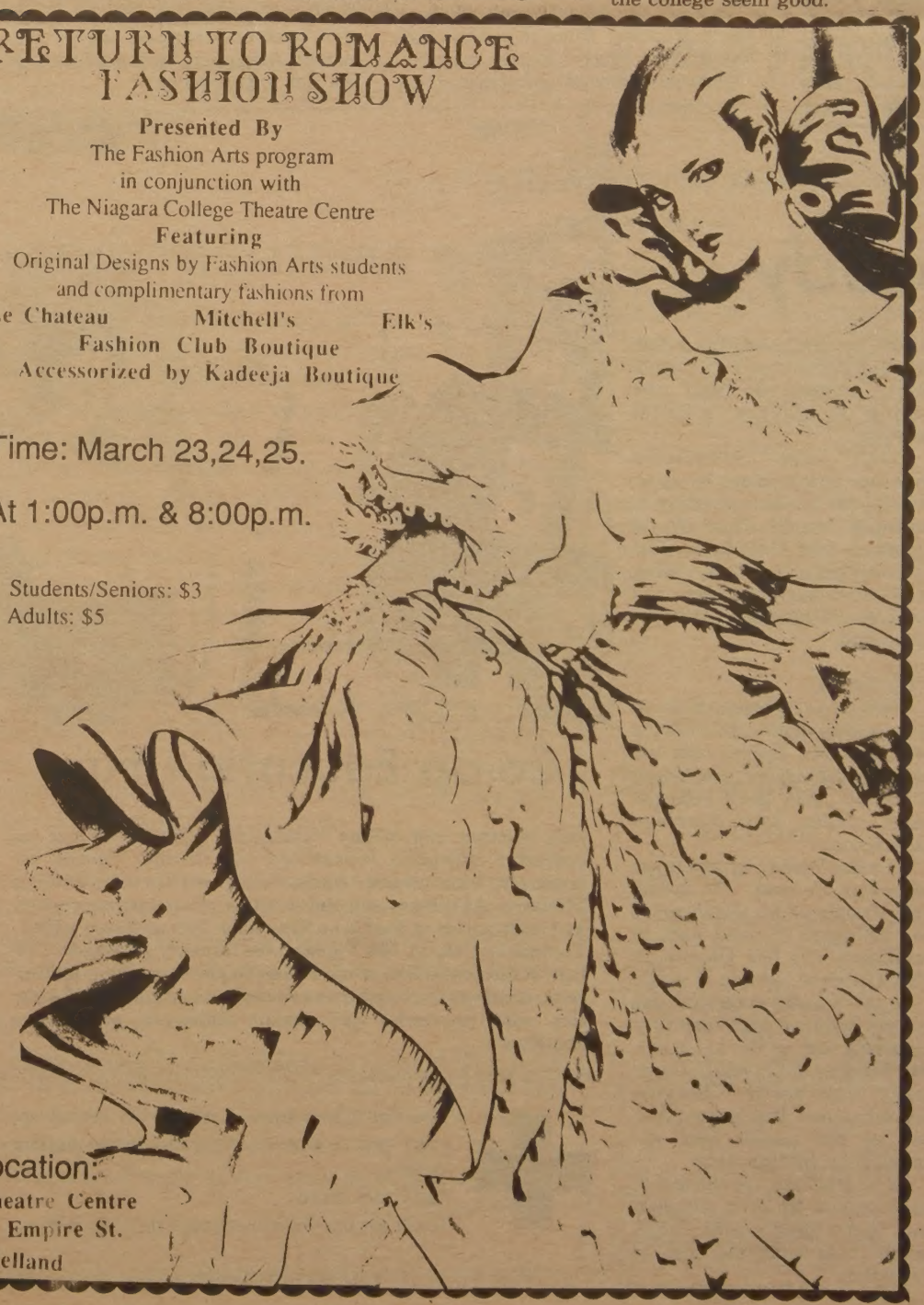

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3 Days for Equality

Agenda full

Women's Week, Three Days for Equality, is filled with seminars, fashion shows, a female magician and booths set up by women from the college and women's groups from the Niagara Region.

Most of the activities are being held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday with booths to be set up for the rest of the week, Mary Farrar, information officer at the career library, said.

Videos will be shown in the Women's Resource Area dealing with subjects on Women in Management, Happily Unmarried and Sexual Harassment, No Laughing Matter.

Tuesday at noon to Jo-Anne Baernstein, teacher of Herstory, will give a seminar in ME208 about Obedience Training: Subservience Never Came Easily. Also the controversial film called Not A Love Story, about pornography, might be shown, Mrs. Farrar said.

On Wednesday, a female magician called Majik will perform in the cafeteria from noon to 12:30 and a mini-fashion show will be shown in the Tecumseh foyer.

On Thursday, Heather Kilty, a Niagara graduate, Education Co-ordinator at the Greater Niagara General Hosptial and teacher of an assertiveness training course at the college, will give a seminar on assertiveness in the Hamilton Room from noon to 2 p.m.

Mrs. Farrar said at 10:15 to 11:15 a Wen Do demonstration of self-defence for women will be shown in the Tecumseh foyer and a bake sale by the Frenchship Club will be held outside the Hamilton room at noon.

Information booths in the Tecumseh foyer will deal with subjects ranging from women in sports to nutrition, fitness and health, women's groups like Women in Niagara (WIN) which deals with "working to stop violence against women", and the Women Employment Support Group (WESP) which aids single parents on Welfare and Mother's Allowance with employment counselling, will also have booths. All will be open throughout the week.

The week is sponsored by the Student Administrative Council and the college's Affirmative Action group.

Break from welfare long, hard struggle

The government would rather have women accept $400 a month and live in Ontario Housing, than try to make something of themselves in the workforce, Dianne Hart, first-year journalism student, says.

Dianne said she thinks most retraining programs are still aimed at the male because they are seen as the breadwinners of the family, women should stay home, supported by whatever means.

Dianne is one of the few women who was able to break away from government support. It was a long, hard fight; Dianne was told that 85 per cent of women on government support who try, fail. She worked two jobs to support her four children so they would not have to carry the stigma of being called welfare children.

Dianne remarried four years ago and moved to Niagara Falls with her husband. When she was unable to find a job, she registered with the Canada Employment Centre (CEC); only once during four years was she notified of an available job.

Overqualified

She said her problem was she was either overqualified, because of all her secretarial experience, or underqualified, because her Commercial High School diploma is no longer recognized as a Grade 12 equivalent.

Dianne said she finally decided to go to the CEC to enter their retraining program. These programs support the student on unemployment through the school year and six weeks afterwards to give time to find a job.

The CEC only funds upgrading for people whose courses require a Grade 12 diploma. The courses have to be chosen from a list provided.

DIANNE HART

Dianne said most of the courses she was interested in did not require a Grade 12 diploma and others seemed to be aimed towards men. The only course that seemed to be aimed towards her was a computer course; all the others were tool and die or bricklaying.

Ken Whatmough, an employee of the Canada Employment Centre in Welland, said the courses offered are not meant strictly for men, but clerks and typists are not needed right now in the workforce. CEC only offers courses that are in demand on the job market.

In the end Dianne abandoned her attempts to upgrade herself through CEC and applied to the Ontario Student Assistance Program to sponsor her through her chosen course.

Proud

Dianne is proud of her struggle and happy with what she is doing. She hopes the government starts changing issues that affect women, but she said she knows it is going to take a long time for these changes to occur.

Some tell their stories

DEBORAH BOWEN AND ELIZABETH YOUNG

Women engineers equal to men

It's not always difficult for a woman to enter a male-dominated course. Elizabeth Young and Deborah Bowen have had hardly any difficulties in the construction engineering program.

Two of three women among about 12 students who are in third-year construction engineering, they said the only difficulty they had was the first couple of months after beginning the course.

But they were soon accepted. Elizabeth said, "You just have to ignore them."

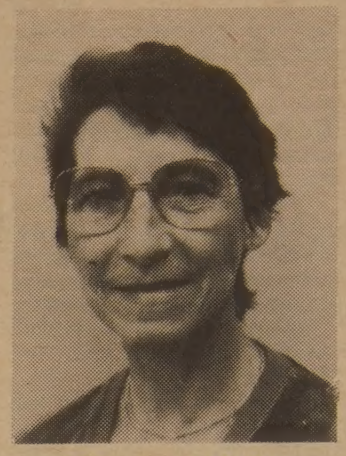
Deborah added, "You have to have a sense of humor about it."

Deborah and Elizabeth came to the college as mature students with construction experience already behind them. They find the workload heavy but feel that it gives them a new identity in the eyes of their children, as something more than a cook or mother.

Elizabeth said when the workload gets too heavy to balance between a part-time job and full-time family and school, "then I have to balance it out with time away from something else."

Both women enjoy the course. The job they expect to get should be interesting with new ideas that always offers variety. And besides, Deborah said, the course has a 100 per cent placement.

FAY MCQUEEN



ROSE MACDONALD

LINDA BOIVIN

Women reaching for goals, gaining their independence

Four women, trying to break free of their dependence on the government for financial support, have come a long way towards reaching their goal.

Fay McQueen, Rose MacDonald, Linda Boivin and Heather Jarvis returned to school as mature students last year through the Ontario Basic Skills program (OBS) at the St. Catharines campus and the support of the Women's Employment Support Project (WESP) to gain their Grade 12 diploma and to continue their education.

Each woman came back to school to upgrade herself and to get off Mother's Allowance or welfare.

Fay said she came to Niagara College because she was interested in upgrading her skills to become a secretary or educational resource technician working with the developmentally handicapped.

She said she likes the courses offered by the OBS because they allow you to work at your own pace as long as 400 hours have been recorded.

OBS works on a level system; level one is for people with less than a Grade 7 education; level two is Grade 7 to 8; level three, Grade 9 to 10 and level four, Grades 11 and 12. Each of these women is at level four and should be finished her studies by June.

Rose, who decided to upgrade her education after her marriage broke up, wants to be a registered nursing assistant, but the waiting lists are long and it is difficult to get in, she said.

Rose wanted to go to college when she was young but her parents could not afford it; instead she got married and went to Germany. Now that her children are almost grown up she is taking the opportunity to do what she wants.

Linda, mother of an eight-year-old, said she would like to get into child care or working with the elderly; "it's a toss-up."

Going back to school limits the time she can spend with her son, before all her time was spent with him. "Now we do homework together and it's nice."

Heather is a talented artist and would like to take either journalism or general college with a fine arts option. She said she had not had the opportunity to go to school before she heard of OBS through WESP.

Mother of a four-year-old son, Heather wants a career because she has had financial difficulties and wants to get away from depending on Mother's Allowance.

WESP works closely with the Canada Employment Centre specializing in counselling males or females who are single parents on general welfare.

It is co-sponsored by the Ministry of Community and Social Services and the Regional Municipality of the Niagara Social Services department.

Photographs

by

Anne Gable

and

Donna Morrison

Making up for past

Brenda Haymes, a second-year sales and merchandising student, says her biggest regret in life is not finishing college when she first went 10 years ago.

But now she is making up for it by completing her course with good grades and the respect of her family for what she is accomplishing.

Attaining good marks has made an impression on her three sons; they now believe in the importance of an education and finishing homework. Brenda said she even brings them to college on their days off so they can see what it's like.

Brenda said she has no trouble balancing school work, family life and a part-time job because she has a supportive husband who will cook supper if she doesn't feel like it and help type assignments if she doesn't have the time to do all her homework.

"Anybody who has been out of school for a long time and wants to come back (to college) should because it is a rewarding experience," she said. "College is not just for the young any more."

Niagara supports women in athletics

By DONNA MORRISON
Staff Writer

Did anyone watch that great men's basketball game on television last night or the men's volleyball championships or the countless other men's televised sport events? Hey...wait a minute! What happened to women in sports? Don't they count?

Well, at Niagara College, they do. The college is part of a trio in the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association to have a woman as head coach.

Mizette Critelli, Knights' coach and athletic assistant, has been at the college for four years. She coaches the women's basketball team, and teaches gym classes.

College

And the college has a woman assistant coach; Judy Halaiko started in September, helping Mizette with basketball, coaching intramurals and teaching classes.

They do not face any inequality nor have attitudes changed towards them at the college because they are women coaches. They are part of a coaching staff, designated for the three main sports offered at the colllege: men's basketball, men's hockey, and women's basketball.

JUDY HALAIKO

In September, Judy will coach a new volleyball team at the college to equal the number of men's teams.

Fanshawe College in London and Centennial College in Toronto are the two other colleges who have female head coaches; there are eight teams altogether.

Being a woman coach is not different from being a male one, Mizette said; the difference is in the personalities of the individual. She said male or female, coaches can be sensitive, players can get along with the coach or maybe they can't; but it all depends on their personality.

MIZETTE CRITELLI

Officiating

What Mizette does notice is the lack of female officiating within the OCAA because it is male-dominated. But women can create the opportunity for themselves if they are willing.

"They have to grab the bull by the horns and go for it," Mizette said. "They take it more seriously because women will want to work harder."

"There is a remarkable growth in the community for women's sports."

The Women's Sport Development Committee within the OCAA is looking to develop women's sports in all areas, Mizette said. "They want to create an awareness, get women to participate in light of the OCAA."

The Committee organized the OCAA Juvenile Girls' Club Basketball Tournament at the college from Feb. 20 to 22, another step in bringing women's sports into the limelight and into the schools.

When Judy coached men's volleyball in Fort McMurray, Alta., when she entered gymnasiums, the other teams would laugh because a woman was head coach. Her team placed second in the volleyball championships that year and "after that we weren't taken as a joke," she said.

Times have changed for women in sports and they are being noticed. Maybe next time television sets are turned on, more women's sports will be on...some day.

Course teaches lifesaving technique

By PAT BAREVICH
Staff Writer

February was heart month for both romantics and pragmatists, because of Valentine's Day and the fact that it was heart and stroke month across North America.

When a patient suffers a stroke or heart attack he goes into cardiac arrest. The heart stops beating and the patient is clinically dead, Frank Adamson, co-ordinator of ambulance and emergency health care, said.

The brain is still alive, but begins to die within three or four minutes if it doesn't get oxygen. Cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) is essential if the patient is to survive.

Niagara College offers two CPR courses, a 12-hour Basic Rescuer's Course and a 16-hour CPR Instructor's Course, Joyce Noren, development officer of continuing education services, said.

The Basic Rescuer's Course is primarily for health care professionals and medical emergency services personnel, Mrs. Noren said. Nursing, ambulance, dental and tourism students also take the basic CPR course.

START BREATHING

CPR teaches individuals how to resuscitate infants, children and adults who have stopped breathing. CPR uses chest compression techniques to force the blood out of a still heart into the patient's system to carry vital oxygen to the brain. Simultaneously mouth-to-mouth ventilation is used to simulate breathing.

CPR training is a very strenuous program, Mrs. Noren said. Individuals with a heart condition, high blood pressure, angina or respiratory problems must get their doctor's permission to take the course. Anyone with a cold or mouth lesions cannot take the course and automatically gets a refund, Mrs. Noren said.

CPR techniques are taught on a life-size mannequin known as Resusci-Anne and on a smaller infant model. Both are expensive pieces of equipment — $2,500 for a Resusci-Anne and about $700 for the infant mannequin, Mrs. Noren said.

Because of the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) concern — the mannequins are carefully disinfected and cleaned according to guidelines set down by the Centres for Disease Control in Atlanta, Ga.

Ontario Public Health officials inspect the mannequins twice a year to make sure they are being cleaned properly, Mrs. Noren said. Stringent cleaning measures are enforced even though sputum cannot carry the AIDS virus.

FOR RESCUER'S

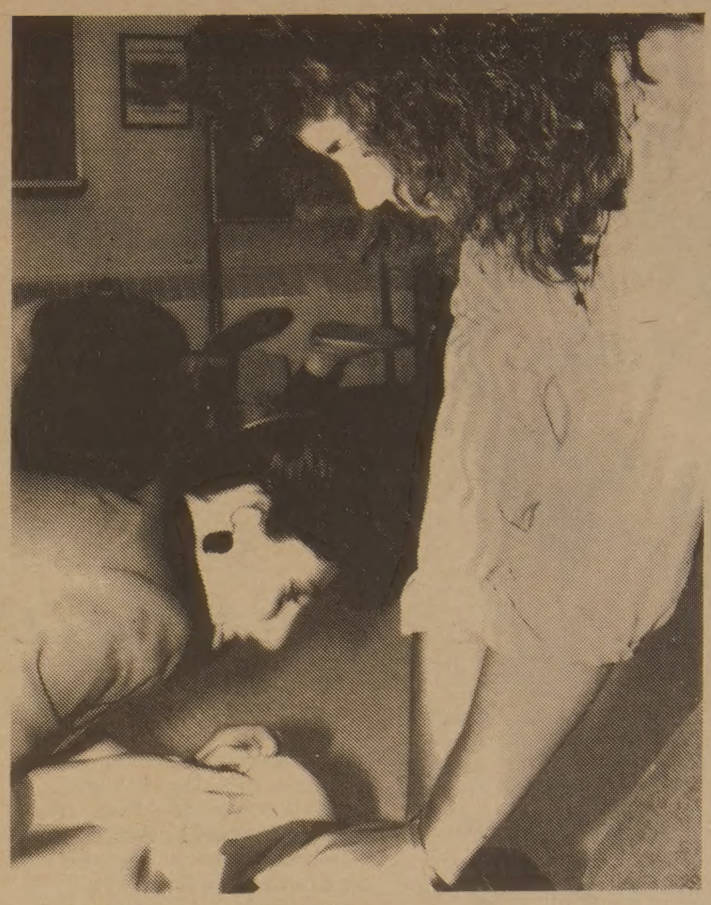
The Basic Rescuer's Course involves four three-hour sessions held at the Welland campus or the Mack Centre in St. Catharines. The cost is $20 for the course and $4 for the instruction manual, Mrs. Noren said. Upon completion of the course an individual gets a basic rescuer's card from the Canadian Heart Foundation — indicating successful completion of the CPR program under the Heart and Stroke Foundation's standards.

The 16-hour CPR Instructor's Course is geared to "highly motivated individuals" who want to teach CPR techniques, Mrs. Noren said. The instructor's course costs $41 which includes a $15 registration fee to the Heart and Stroke Foundation. A kit which costs $11 is also necessary for the course.

In 1986, 621 people were trained in basic CPR and 37 in the instructor's course, Mrs. Noren said.

Re-certification in CPR is necessary each year and usually involves repeating the basic course especially if the techniques are not practised regularly.

Classes are limited to a maximum of 24 students with one instructor for every eight students. Mrs. Noren said Niagara has "dedicated, conscientious instructors of CPR" who maintain a relaxed and encouraging atmosphere in class. Niagara has offered CPR courses since 1977.



Ambulance and emergency care students Chris Rose (left) and Gail Watson practise cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) technique on Resusci-Anne.

Photo by Pat Barevich

Student interviews this week for jobs

Marineland and Game Farm, "you'll have a whale of a time," the slogan says on television. And for those interested in a summer job, working at Marineland may prove exciting and quite busy during the hot months.

Student interviews for the Marineland '87 season are being held today until Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Marineland on 7657 Portage Rd., Niagara Falls, Ont.

Rhonda McInnis, employment co-ordinator at Marineland, said last year 1,500 applications were sent to Marineland for summer jobs. "This year we might get close to 2,000 with about 450 accepted.

Job opportunities are available for individuals "who enjoy meeting people and making friends." At the interviews, students can pick up applications and apply for the various positions right; working hours and wages vary, depending on which job people choose.

Previous experience is helpful as well as a good personlaity. Jobs include such areas as admission cashiers, cleaning crews, first aid, gardening, parking lot, gift shops, restaurants, security/guest services, admission hostesses/hosts, warehouse, and ride attendants.

For more information, call Rhonda at 356-8250, ext. 10.

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- réduction de la contribution des parents;
- considération spéciale pour les familles monoparentales recevant de l'aide sociale;
- augmentation des bourses destinées aux étudiants célibataires qui ne sont pas à la charge de leur famille;
- augmentation des fonds destinés au Régime de bourses spéciales de l'Ontario et au Régime travail-études de l'Ontario;
- remise d'intétêt sur les prêts consentis par la province.

Qu'est-ce que ces changements signifient pour moi?

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- des bourses plus élevées et des prêts moindres, donc une dette moins lourde à rembourser une fois vos études terminées.

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"They really asserted their dominance," coach David Carpenter said. "They literally walked through everybody."

Tom and Mark won sets against six teams, playing the finals against their rivals from Mohawk College, Boris Chieu and Richard Cheung.

"They proved they were the best in the province," David said.

The team travels to the nationals in Edmonton March 24-28 to defend its national title; David was chosen to coach all Ontario college teams that include three doubles teams, and two singles.

Colin Reid placed fifth in men's singles and Shawn Evans, also in men's singles, won a bronze medal. "They played very, very well for their first year in the provincials," David said.

The provincials were held at Centennial College in Toronto Feb. 27-28.

Sports

Tiredness factor for Knights, hinders play in Falcons game

By DONNA MORRISON
Staff Writer

They played their last game of the season, but the Lady Knights are out of the playoffs. They played an excellent game against the St. Clair Lady Saints the day before, almost coming away with the victory, but tiredness had set in. Playing against the Fanshawe Falcons the next day, with only six bodies, the Knights suffered a 61-42 loss in London Feb. 28.

Indications of their tiredness were turnovers and inconsistency. The Falcons capitalized on the turnovers, showing a strong offence with good scoring ability.

The Knights did have some scoring opportunities, but the ball just didn't want to drop for the points.

Inconsistency was a key note for Niagara; they would go through slow moments with a lack of rebounding and little defence, but, in the next minute, would come out with excellent defence, showing good teamwork.

"This team was a lot bigger and faster than St. Clair," Knights coach Mizette Critelli said. "With a lot more depth we could do more."

Fanshawe played a solid game from beginning to end, entering halftime with a 31-25 lead.

SCORE 11

Charlotte Prevost and Kim Girotti, each with 11 points, led the Knights in scoring; Laura Monaghan followed with 10, and Sue Sbrizzi had eight.

The second half was like the first; Fanshawe held on to the lead, with Niagara struggling to close the margin.

"I'm pleased with the hard work for only six people," Mizette said.

Niagara could have ended the season with three wins, but the Algonquin Caats from Ottawa — who were in last place — dropped out of the league due to a lack of commitment from the players, Mizette said.

1-11 RECORD

When Algonquin dropped out, the two wins Niagara had against them were taken away, ending their season with a 1-11 record, an improvement over last season.

But if Niagara had more bodies perhaps the team would have done better. Even so, Niagara played some excellent basketball against some top, competitive teams, ending the season with two strong performances the last weekend in February.

Lazy defensive start hurts men's team

A lazy defensive start and the inability to finish plays led to a 92-64 Niagara Knights' thrashing at the hands of a quicker Sheridan Bruins in men's basketball on Feb. 26.

"We were lazy on defence in the first half," coach Peter Rylander said; he was forced to switch from man-to-man to zone defence.

Offensively, he thought the team played better but once they broke the tough Sheridan press, they had difficulty penetrating inside the key.

"It's just a case of not breaking it (the press) quick enough," he explained. "They're a good team — better, quicker — and that's why their press worked better."

"We broke the press and all of a sudden, we'd panic," Niagara point guard Paul Blakely said. "They forced us to throw the ball away" with their good, tight two-three zone defence.

Once again, Niagara's Fred Jason, the six-foot-eight centre from Fonthill, led all scorers with 22 points. A 10-point second half gave Chris Mudjar 14 points for the night while Gord Bonisteel was next with 12.

For the Oakville squad, pointgetters were Rodeer Thomas with 17 and Hugh Anderson with 16.

Niagara's sloppy defence gave Sheridan 36 chances at the free throw line to 21 for the Knights. The Bruins, however, were unable to take full advantage of their opportunities, hitting on only 21 (58 per cent) while Niagara was good on 16 (76 per cent).

The only bright spots of the first half was a Randy Conlon three-pointer to start off the game and three consecutive field goals to make amends for their poor defensive play. The Knights trailed at the half 52-32.

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Sports

Late season win catapults team into post season play

The Knights made the playoffs with a 6-4 win over the Buffalo State Bengals Feb. 20.

The game was started 20 minutes late because one of the referees failed to appear. A replacement showed up half way in the first period.

Cam Wilson, Knights' assistant coach, said he was concerned about the delay.

"I was worried about the psychological part. We were ready and if we had to wait any longer it could have affected us."

The game was fast-paced with both teams working hard, moving the puck quickly into the defensive zones, relying on forechecking to produce scoring chances.

The Bengals were first on the board with a goal from Claude Molinari. The shot beat goalie Mark Bush on the glove side at 8:24 in the first period.

Niagara came back less than a minute later on some good work by Bob Bird to get a shot on net. The rebound was then picked up by Bob Thrower for the easy goal.

The first period was a seesaw affair with Buffalo taking the lead twice before the Knights took control for good at 18:25 of the first period.

Niagara outscored the Bengals 3-1 in the second with the game winner coming from a Ken Thornton goal.

"I think it all (the win) stems back to Wednesday's practice," Mr. Wilson said. "We worked with the defencemen to lock out the centre and the other team's offensive opportunities."

DISCIPLINED GAME

The Knights played a disciplined game refusing to be drawn into taking cheap penalties which cost them more than one game this season.

"The last three practices we stressed staying out of the box and it was evident today," Wilson said.

Other scorers for the Knights were Terry Maisonneuve, Doug Jones, Neil MacDonald and Rod Estabrooks.

Self-confidence not enough to win

By GARY BELLINGER
Staff Writer

Missed opportunities and bad breaks resulted in disappointing showings for the Niagara College men's and mixed curling teams at the western regional playdowns held Feb. 19 to 22.

Both teams went into the competition, held in Windsor, with an abundance of optimism and confidence, but that did not translate into enough victories in the win column to advance either to the provincial championships in Thunder Bay, held March 1 to 4.

The men's team finished in a tie for fourth place with a 2-4 record, while the mixed team finished in fifth place with a 0-4 record.

The men's team, skipped by Brian Nagy, had a rough start running into a determined Mohawk team that refused to let up, winning the game 7-2. Niagara played better in its second game against St. Clair winning the game 10-3, but they fell victim once again to missed opportunities losing to Lambton 8-1.

In their best game of the bonspiel, Niagara outdueled Fanshawe 5-4 winning the game on the last rock in an extra end. On the last day, they had to win their last two games but ended up losing to Georgian and Seneca 10-3 and 11-9 respectively, the two teams which advanced to the provincial championships.

At the provincial championships, Seneca went on to win the silver medal and Georgian the bronze finishing behind Algonquin.

The mixed team skipped by Joel LaPalme, were in contention in their first two games against Seneca and Fanshawe, but lost the games 7-6 and 9-7 respectively, when they failed to hold late leads. They also came down to the last day having to win their last two games to advance to the provincial championships, but they lost 12-2 to Mohawk and 9-4 to Georgian.

Fanshawe went on to win the gold medal at the provincial championships while Georgian finished out of the medals.

Kelly Fitzgerald, from the Niagara Nationals — No. 11 — and Bonnie Allison, from Etobicoke, prepare for opening jump.
Photo by Donna Morrison

Tournament 1st of its kind

It was the first of its kind, and it happened right here at Niagara College: the first annual Ontario Colleges Athletic Association Juvenile Girls' Club Basketball Tournament.

"It was the first of its kind," Knights coach and tournament organizer Mizette Critelli said. "Universities don't even have it."

Used as a "recruiting tool for colleges," the Feb. 20-22 tournament introduced to those interested in basketball what the OCAA at a college level has to offer them.

Eight teams were involved with girls under 19 years of age; all play basketball year round as evidenced in the strong performances on the court.

Steve Holman, who was let go from the Niagara Knights men's basketball team, coached the team that eventually won the tournament. His team, team IMCO from Fonthill, won the gold medal. Demonstrating excellent ballhandling and skill against the opposition, the Brantford Briers in the championship game, IMCO won 38-31 in a seesaw battle played right down to the wire. Jill Stiefelmyer was a standout with 12 points followed by Georgie Groat with seven; Walt Spzilewski and George Groat were assistant coaches.

Brantford placed second, showing good defence and an organized offence throughout the tournament. Marianne Fernandez had 10 for the Briers and Sarah Bradley had eight. Larry McDonald was head coach, Greg Henhawk asssistant coach and Warren Bechard was manager.

The bronze medal went to Tramsway from Hamilton, winning 58-44 over Etobicoke. Sue Brogly led Tramsway with 16 points and Orthel Papadakos had 11.

"The Women's Sport Development Committee within the OCAA had the foresight to develop this type of tournament," Mizette said. "I highly recommend doing it again next year."

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Men's team ends with loss

By BLAIR CARR
Staff Writer

The Niagara Knights men's basketball team ended a frustrating season with an 81-65 loss on March 5 to the Centennial Colts, making their record a dismal 3-17.

Despite its miserable record, the team was not happy their season was over; their new coach Peter Rylander had added new enthusiasm to the game.

The last four or five games, the team has played better, Larry Bone said. "The coaching change brought everybody together."This was the consensus of the players, took.

With four games remaining, coach Steve Holman had his contract terminated by the college after he was thrown out of three games. Athletic co-ordinator Peter Rylander took his place.

In the game, the Colts needed a victory for a possible playoff berth and the Knights were playing the part of spoilers.

At first, led by Gord Bonisteel's pinpoint shooting, it looked as though they might accomplish this.

LOST LEAD

The Knights jumped out to a 20-13 lead which was diminished quickly by a Colt defensive press that kept them scoreless for three minutes. Niagara trailed 34-25 at the half.

"We gave the ball away on their press. They probably got 20 points off the press and they beat us by 16," Mr. Rylander said. "We panicked and didn't look for the guy who was open."

Bonisteel had a season-high of 32 points to lead all scorers. Fred Jason, who was picked as a first-team all star in the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association, was kept at 14 points. Extensive Colt coverage reduced Jason's scoring punch as pivot man and thus the effectiveness of Niagara's good inside game.

Richard Brewster led the Colts with 23 points and Wayne Brooks, Mike Brown and Lincoln Brown all finished the game with 12 points.

The Centennial team won most of the rebounding battles in the half, Mr. Rylander said.

The game was either won or lost in the first half. Although the Colts only outscored the Knights by seven, they were constantly threatening to blow the Knights out.

"We played good defence in the first half and let up in the second half," by letting past too many baseline and backdoor offensive drives, Knights' forward Chris Mudjar said.

In the future, the Niagara Knights men's basketball team can only get better. It consists of mostly first-year students and all but one player is returning to the line-up next year. In the summer they plan to play in the Brock University League to improve as a team for next year's season.

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Sports

Heartbreaking loss ends season for Knights

By DOUGLAS IVES
Staff Writer

It was heartbreak for the Niagara College hockey team and jubilation for St. Bonaventure at the Welland Arena on Feb. 28.

The Niagara Knights lost 8-7 in sudden death overtime to the St. Bonaventure Brown Indians in the final game of the playoffs.

The Knights had a 6-2 lead after the second period but St. Bonaventure battled back to score five in the third period.

Niagara's Mike Korolenchuk got the equalizer at 14:08 in the last period to force overtime.

Chris Annunziato got the winner, his fourth of the game, with only 2:02 left in the tension-filled overtime period.

The Knights earned a spot in the final with a convincing 10-4 win over the Penn State Nittany Lions Feb. 28 in Welland.

It wasn't as easy for St. Bonaventure who had to rally in the last minutes for the win over an upset-minded Buffalo State Bengals 11-9 in the earlier game.

Buffalo State finished fifth in the league but replaced Erie Community College because of Erie's commitment to another tournament.

ON POWER PLAY

The Indians opened the scoring on a power play goal but Niagara controlled the play for the rest of the first two periods.

Niagara's first goal was the result of some great skating by Terry Maisonneuve, carrying the puck the length of the ice. Doug Jones took the shot from the point and Maisonneuve deflected it over goalie Kevin Kirsh.

Neil MacDonald and Rod Estabrooks were handing out some tremendous hits as Niagara got one back late in the second.

The momentum shifted early in the third period as St. Bonaventure scored five in less than seven minutes.

Niagara coach Fred Bassi felt his team was getting tired. He said St. Bonaventure gets more ice time and had more players which was a factor in their ability to come back.

St. Bonaventure coach Brian Battistoni credits his goalie as a big part of the win. "He didn't let the fact that he was down by five affect his play in the rest of the game and made some great saves in overtime."

Doug Jones came within inches of giving Niagara the overtime win after being set up in front of the net by a nice play from Maisonneuve and Bob Bird, but couldn't get good wood on the shot.

"It's incredible; I can't even describe it," coach Battistoni said of the win. It was Battistoni's first championship as head coach but St. Bonaventure's fifth in the last five years.

Bob Thrower, who was selected to the first all star team, scored two goals for Niagara Saturday. Pat Flynn, Devis Milani and Bob Bird each added one.

"I'm proud of all the players," Mr. Bassi said. "We had the chances but in overtime anything can happen."

The St. Bonaventure defencement kept a watchful eye on Niagara players Doug Jones (dark helmet) and Terry Maisonneuve, in the final game of the International Collegiate Hockey League playoffs. The Brown Indians defeated the Knights 8-7 in overtime Feb. 28 at the Welland Arena.
Photo by Douglas Ives

Lack of team play, Knights win game

By DOUGLAS IVES
Staff Writer

The Knights managed a 12-8 win against the University of Rochester in the last regular season game Feb. 21.

It wasn't their best performance of the year but didn't have to be because they clinched a playoff spot the night before beating Buffalo State.

The game was meaningless for both teams and the good team play that earned Niagara a playoff spot went out the window.

"Everyone played like individuals. If it happened during the middle of the season, if would have been cause for concern," assistant coach Cam Wilson said. "But it was a clean game and we didn't lose anyone for the playoffs."

In spite of Niagara's lack of team play the game was won handily with Bob Bird the big gun for the Knights scoring four goals. Wayne Conn added three of his own.

SOME EXCITEMENT

The game did have a few exciting moments. Rochester's Steve Currie scored two of his three goals on breakaways. In the first period Currie beat goalie Tony Celli. Later in the second he beat Kirk Patterson, who replaced Celli, with the identical move.

One of the prettiest goals of the night came when Neil MacDonald carried the puck into the Rochester zone on a two-on-one and made the perfect pass to Rod Estabrooks who lifted the puck over goalie Todd Vangellow.

The game went as well as Niagara could have hoped considering the effort the team put in the night before. They got the win and didn't take any misconducts which could have been a problem because Rochester was already out of the playoffs.

Neil MacDonald, Mark Turner, Rod Estabrooks and Pat Flynn each scored for Niagara. Doug Jones did his share for the cause picking up four assists.

While assistant coach Wilson wasn't overly impressed with the team's play he did have praise for the play of defence Brian Millejours. "The last couple of games, Brian has played his best hockey of the season."

Chance to see talent at tourney

Coaches were watching more than just the game during the first Ontario Colleges Athletic Association Juvenile Girls' Club Basketball Tournament Feb. 20-22.

They were searching for that one individual on the team who exemplified good basketball skills, a liking for the game, and an enjoyable personality. From these observations five all-stars were chosen, including:

Dina Niejadlik, centre at 5'11", from IMCO (Fonthill); Sue Brogly, guard at 5'7" from Tramsway (Hamilton); Kelly Fitzgerald, from the Niagara Nationals (no position given); Christine Daoust, guard at 5'7" from IMCO (Quebec), and Marg Rougier, front at 5'9", from Metro Jr. Raiders.

And the most valuable player chosen was Sarah Bradley, guard at 5'9", from Brantford.

Each of these players received a plaque, OCAA t-shirt, a bag and a pin.

Questionnaires were given to each coach before the tournament in which they chose the individual and offered comments as to why she was chosen from the team.

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Sports

Volleyball champs

Beaver Patrol II, undefeated in Tuesday's play (Feb. 17) won against three teams on Thursday to capture the men's intramural volleyball championships. The team, pictured above, include from left: Carmine Colarocchio — holding a facsimile of the absent Ray Sarkis — Ron Baerg, Colin Reid and Warren Currell. Intramural volleyball was held during the lunch hours, and ended Feb. 19.

Photo by Donna Morrison

Knights lose game, season ends in style

By DONNA MORRISON
Staff Writer

The game was a heartbreaker!

Combining good offence with a solid defence and excellent organization, the Lady Knights almost pulled an upset against the St. Clair Lady Saints, the second-ranked team in the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association basketball standings.

The 62-57 loss eliminates Niagara from the playoffs, but they went out in style, playing an enjoyable game in Windsor Feb. 27.

Niagara had only six players on the bench, but their determination was evident in every play, opening a 9-3 lead after four minutes.

Quick passes, good ballhandling, and excellent scoring highlighted the first half for the Knights. Though some silly errors were made, their composure and winning attitude were being demonstrated to the shocked fans in the Saints' gym

"You don't mind ending the season with those (kind of games)," Judy Halaiko, Knights assistant coach, said.

STARTED SLOW

St. Clair started out slow, but soon showed good scoring ability, eventually taking the lead midway through the first.

Patience on Niagara's part helped them to regain the lead; the team controlled its offence and defence, shooting successfully to make the game an exciting one.

"It was an enjoyable game to coach," Knights coach Mizette Critelli said.

Each team had its own individual efforts from players, but Niagara looked more organized and ended the first with a 31-25 lead.

DISASTROUS

Unfortunately the first minutes of the second half proved disastrous for Niagara; St. Clair came out strong, scoring successive baskets.

"Morisa (a St. Clair player) hurt us in the second half," Mizette said.

St. Clair prevented Niagara from scoring until 14:29 of the second, leading 47-35; at one point the Lady Saints had a 14-point lead over the Knights.

With three minutes left, the Knights started playing good basketball, coming within five of the opposition.

Forty-one seconds left and Niagara had only four players, but with hard work kept St. Clair from scoring, giving them an exciting, well-played game.

"A couple of moments we were really rattled," Mizette said. "But there is nothing but youth on our team; it takes experience. Charlotte Prevost is the only veteran and Donna Stonos and Sue Sbrizzi started last January."

Everyone on the team scored. High scorer was Laura Monaghan with 14, followed by Charlotte with 12. Sue Sbrizzi had 11, Chris Andrews had eight and Donna and Kim Girotti each had six.

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